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On the 30th May. Ordered Captain Sheppard of the
Surinam Brig to proceed to England —

Copy of a Letter to Mr. Marden sent by the
Surinam —

At the Lively off Cadiz. the 30th
May 1805.

Sir
I sailed from Gibraltar on the 28th Inst.
with directions from Rear Adm^l. Knight to take
under my orders the Stalegon, and Surinam
Brigs, & proceed in company off this port when I arrived
yesterday, for the purpose of reconnoitering the
Enemy's force, and having so done to send the
Surinam to England, with the account of my
observations and return myself in company to Gibraltar,
to the Charge of the Transports with the troops
under the Command of Genl. Sir J. Craig, they
having but little protection from any attack
of the Enemy's Gun boats during the absence
of the Lively, the only ship of War, attached
to the Expedition —

Enclosed I have the honor to transmit
a statement of the Enemy's force in Cadiz, as
near as I have been able to observe, of which
I believe is correct —

I was chased off the Port yesterday by
the 74 Gun Ship, mentioned in the enclosed paper
to be ^{be} ~~fully~~ man'd, which we had a partial
action with, on opposite tacks, as she
returned into Port. I have thought

proper to dispatch the Juno to England
agreeable to R^d. Adm^t. Knight; directions
I shall return to G^o. immediately, leaving
the Halyon to watch any movement the
Enemy may make from Cadiz -

I have the honor to be
Sir Y^r. obed^t. Serv^t

W^m. H. Marden Esq^r
Admiralty -

Graham & Hamond

Statement of the Enemy's force in Cadiz 29th May
1805, as given by the Master of the American
Brig, Penguin, to Captain Pearce of H. M. B. Halyon.

One ship of 4 Decks, man'd with a Vice Adm^l
flag flying
Two ships of 74 guns, but not completely
man'd -
One 74 completely man'd, which cruizes
before the Port -
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One, or two frigates fitting at the
Casaccas, and some smaller vessels -

One 74, Gunship, & 2 brigs of War, sailed on the
27th but for whom he does not know

On the 28th a Frigate belonging to the Merchants
arrived at Cadiz, from Linnia, loaded with Money

The Report at Cadiz was that the combined fleets
were gone to the Brazils -

The above statement of four sail of the Line is
perfectly correct, with my own observations made
yesterday, as far as relates to the four sail of the
Line; I would observe no frigates -

Lined: M Cadiz
30th May 1805 -

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Copy of an Order given to Captain Pearce of
H.M.S. Halcyon the 30th May 1805.

By Graham Hammond Esq.
Captain of the Ship Swif.

Enclosed you will receive a copy
of the orders given to me by R^t. Adm^l. Knight
which (as I have been since directed by him
to return with the Swif to Gibraltar) you are
hereby required, and directed to carry into
Execution -

You are to continue on this service
untill the 20th June by which time you
will return to Gib^r. unless you shall before
that time have found it necessary to proceed
on any urgent, pressing Service -

To Captⁿ. Pearce
Comm^r. of the Ship

Halcyon.

Dated on board the Swif after
the 30th May 1805.
G.H.

By G.H. Esq. &c.

In pursuance of orders from Rear
Adm^l. Knight. you will return with
H.M.S. Brig: under your Comm^r. to
Gibraltar, calling on your ^{way} at Tangier,
if taken under your ~~charge~~ ^{Charge} any Bullock
Vessels, or others that may require Convey
to Gib^r.

To Captⁿ. Pearce
Comm^r. of the Ship Halcyon.

Dated on board the Swif after
the 2^d June 1805
G.H.

Letters

21st July. Wrote to Capt. Potheron at Naples.

Adm. Lady Vilette Harbor the 22nd July
1851.

Sir

I take the opportunity of the Driger going to Gibraltar, to inform you that I arrived here with the Conway on the 18th Inst. - Sir James Craig has informed me that he shall want as many Transports as can be procured for the embarkation of 7000, more troops - We have in the harbor 16, Transports, enough to carry about 4000, & on the General's representation I have ordered the Madras, to be put into a proper state for sea, which Ship, I calculate will hold about 1000 - Sir Alex^r Ball has written to Sirina to endeavour to take up some more Vessels, so that you see, Sir, it will not be possible to discharge a single Transport from the Service at present - I have sent the Ambascade to Naples, with the General's dispatches on the return of which Vessel, I conclude we shall move from this place. By the way, I have acquainted Capt. Potherson with my arrival, requesting him to give me all proper information relative to this station, and the Service I am likely to be employed upon - I should have gone myself, for the sake of communicating with Mr. Elliot, & Capt. Potherson, but the General wished me to remain on the Spot to superintend the getting the Transports. The Madras I hope will be ready in about 12 days: The report of the Master Shipwright says, that by her pumps being completely repaired, & two new Cracks made, there will be not be any alarming visible defects to prevent her proceeding on a short voyage, & that the shipwrights can repair her trifling defects in the time the Smiths are repairing the Pumps - The crew of the Seahorse are assisting in rigging her, I have

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beg'd Capt. Sutherland to send for Captain Schomberg to
return thither, who I understand is at Naples. I have
also acquainted him that I left you off Carthage
with four ships of the line, & that the Spaniards have
seven - The General seems very averse to the
Excellent leaving Naples at the present moment -

I have been obliged from the want of another
Vessel to send the Children with an Officer from
Sir J. Craig to Corfu; the moment she comes back
she will order to Gibraltar; and the Garrison being
very much in want of money, has induced me
to order the Jalouse to Venice, for the purpose
of procuring it. I hope as I have acted from the
best motives, for the interest of the service in
these two instances, it will meet your approbation.

At present I have no means of stationing
any thing off Tons, or the West End of Sicily, tho
I fear there are a great many Enemies privateers
cruising -

The English, I believe by your order to
join you off Carthage, I have sent your order
to Captain Hoots (who is at Mepine) by the Ambascade
directing him first to return to Malta, & when she
arrives I will send her down, unless any thing
very urgent should prevent me -

Both Sir Alex^r. Ball and General Villettes
are chain greatly at all the small vessels
being ordered off from the station: I fear that the general
trade of the Island, & the communication with
the Continent will be much stop'd by it -

The American Squadron is here, having made
peace with Tripoli. They intend sailing
immediately for Tunis, & are likely to have a
War with that state, as well as with Spain

There is a report that the French in Toulon, are
fitting some kind of Expedition with the Troops,
how far true, I do not know, but think it ought
to mention it to you -

The Dock Yard is bare of every article of stores
there being no rope, Iron, or Tar; the latter
we feel greatly in want of, in rigging the Madras,
as there is not a barrel to be purchased on the
Island. The Madras's leak is I understand from
the Builder, not more than 30 Inches in the
24 hours - I have appointed Mr. Henry Donnet
(at the recommendation of Mr. Allen the Surgeon of
the Naval Hospital) to act as Surgeon of the
Madras, who is obliged from exceedingly bad
health to go home - Mr. Donnet was an
apprentice Surgeon at the Hospital, & has served
for Surgeon 5 Years ago

I understand from the very bad state of the
Renard, she will on her return here be
obliged to be laid up - I have the honor to be
Sir R. Bickerton W:
W. Donnet of the Renard

W.D.

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Held: Lively. Valletta Harbor 28th July
1805.

Sir
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Excellency's letter of yesterday's date, and have in consequence made enquiry as what Vessels in this harbor, can be immediately taken up, & fitted for carrying Troops that together, with those now at my disposal may be equal to Transporting 8000 Russian Troops at the allowance of a Ton & a half per Man, & have, in answer, to state that the English disposable Transports now ready, or that will be ready in a few days will carry at that rate 4848 Men, — That only 6. Maltese Vessels have already offered, which will carry 730 more, leaving a deficiency of Tonnage equal to the transporting 2422 Men —

I have directed Captⁿ Lamb the resident Agent of Transports here to endeavour to take up as many Vessels as will remedy this deficiency, but I much fear, that we shall find a considerable difficulty in procuring a sufficient number fit for the purpose.

Enclosed I transmit a statement of the Transports, which together with the Men of War on the Spot, might carry for a short Voyage, 8000 Russian Troops, together with 6000 English, the whole Number your Excell^y

proposes to move -

I have the honor to be
with great respect
your Excellency's Most Obedt. Servt.

J.
H. Excellency
Genl. Sir J. P. Craig K.B.
or

J.H.

Paper enclosed.

There are in the harbor of Valletta 20 Transports that in a few days will be perfectly ready for sea, and can carry at the allowance of one & a half Ton ^{Man.} 72. Man - 4607

If 14 of the Transports which came from England are added to these, they will be capable of containing — 3453
Total — 8060

This Total would comprize the quantity of men the African Force is composed of -

There will then remain of the Force ports
brought up from Gibraltar - 20 - carrying — 2792
The Madras for a short run might take — 900
The Lively — 200
" Seahorse — 200
" Ambuscade — 150
" Curry die — 100
6. Maltese that have offer'd will carry — 730
Total req^d to be carried - 5072
Total req^d to be carried - 6600

Leaving 928

which might be carried in a few feluccas to be
prop'd into the service for the occasion.

Wm. Lively
28th July 1805

J.H.

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H. Ms. Lieut. Valtette Harbor
29th July. 1805 -

Mr
I have to acknowledge your letter of
this day's date with the several demands
enclosed for stones, which you have
transmitted for my approval -

As the Juno is ordered to the
Westward, and the Dock yard here is extremely
bare of stones, I cannot approve those made
by the Boatwain & Carpenter - I have
further to desire you will for the same
reason complete the Juno's provision, to
fourteen weeks only, as expeditiously as
possible. & having so done remain here till
further orders.

I have the honor to
be Sir Yr. Most Obedt. Servt.

J. H. Richardson Esq.
Capt. of H. Ms. Juno.

H. Ms. Lieut. - Valtette Harbor
Malta - 30th July. 1805.

Mr
I have the honor to acknowledge the
receipt of your Excellency's letter of yesterday's
date enclosing an Extract of one dated the 19th
Inst^l from M. Tatischeff Russian Ambassador
at Naples to your Excellency & have in answer to
state, that whenever the request is made for the
Transports necessary for the removal of the Russian
Army of 7350 Men, with their artillery.

Passage & provisions as stated in the Extracts, they
shall be ready; allowing at the rate of One Ton & 1/2
a Quarter to each Man, which is one eighth ^{part} ~~part~~
of a Ton more than our own Troops will have
under General Sir James Craig -

To H. Excellency
Sir Alex^r. Bale Port:
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I have the honor to be
with great respect
Your Excellency Most obed. Ser^t.
JH -

Mr
H. M. L. V. Vallée Harbor
4th May 1805

As I ^{presume} ~~suppose~~ that the Expedition
under your Excellency's Orders, will not move
from this for a fortnight or 3 Weeks, I think
it right that the frigates attached to it, under
my orders, should be employed cruising for
that space of time both for the annoyance
of the Enemy, as well as for the preserving
of the health of their respective Crews,
which if it meets your Excellency's ideas,
I shall give orders for their doing, meaning
myself to be in sight of Signals from
Vallée every day, or two, in case your
Excellency should wish to communicate
with me - I have the honor to
remain with great respect

To J. P.
Genl. Sir J. Craig K.B.

Y^r Ex^{ty} Most Obed^t. Ser^t.
JH

Upon the return of the Ambassador from
Naples, I mean to dispatch the Juno, or some
Vessel, to the W. If you should have any letters
to send to Sir R. Bickerton -

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Sir
Dunelm. 13th Aug^r. 1815.

I beg leave to ^{send} state that the report
of a Surgeon held on L^t. W. Webb of the
Hoop. Merlin, who in consequence
was sent to the Hospital on the
28th July. and I have taken upon
me to appoint Mr. Nicholas Whyte
Charter's Mate of this Ship (a young
man I am much interested about
to act in his stead until further
order - On the 1st of August the

Surgeon of that Ship was seized with
a violent Mania which continued on
him I believe now, and on her sailing
(which was on the 4th Inst^t with
Convoy for Constantinople) I appointed
the Surgeon ^{State} of the Seahorse to act as her
Surgeon, there being no other medical
person on board and many men in the
Sick list -

I yesterday received a ^{joint} letter
from L^t. Rayer of the Madras, &
L^t. W. Stewart of the Ambuscade
requesting to exchange duties, & approved of

by their respective Captains - which, as
I did not see any very material objection
to, I complied with, and appointed
them accordingly until further order
Enclosed you will receive the respective
States & conditions of the Ships at Malta. / I have the honor to be
Sir -

R. Adm. Sir R. Pickett Bt.

Sir
Lieut. Malta. 12th Aug. 1805

Sir
In my last of the 22^d of July, I informed
you that I had in consequence of the report
of the Master Shipwright ^(Enclosure No. 1) ordered the Master
Shipwright to be fitted for sea, for carrying
troops - which she continued for. On the
10th Aug. I received the Enclosure (No. 2) from
Captain Schomburg, in consequence of which
I ordered her to be imm^d. surveyed; the
report of which you will find in
enclosure No. (3) - & upon this not judging
it prudent that the lives of so many people
as ^{could} be embarked in her should be put
at risk - I gave Capt. Schomburg directions
not to proceed further in her Equipment -

Yesterday I received enclosures No.
4. & 5 from him which I send for
your consideration -

Permit me Sir to suggest that

by heaving the mads down, caulking
her bottom well; & sheathing it, &
putting a Spar Deck upon her, she
might be made an excellent receiving
Ship, and capable of containing then
1000 Men with ease; the only thing
I really think she is fit for &

I have the
hon^r to be Sir
Yr Most obed^t Serv^t
To
R. Allen^c
Sir R. Bickerton B^t

Lieut^t Malta 17th August 1805

Sir

I have according to your direction,
given every assistance in my power
to the Expedition under General Sir James
Craig - All the Troops were disembarked
shortly after our arrival, the Ports
cleaned, & put into a proper state to receive
them again - They are now divided into two
divisions, One for the Army under Sir James
Craig, & the other to be sent on a separate
service when required, which is now
nearly completed

I took upon me to detain

the *Eurydice* hoping that we should have proceeded from hence ere this; but as I do not see much hopes at present, I wrote to the General to say that as I knew you had no frigate with you I must send her down unless she was wanted for pressing Service, and his answer is this: "If however the *Eurydice* is so much wanted by Sir Rich^d Bickerton I do not see any stronger reason for detaining her for our use - I shall therefore order her down to you as quick as possible, tho still I think ^{we} shall feel the want of her very much & hope, if you can spare her, or some other vessel you will - as a ship will be wanted to convey the transports for a separate service - This station is very badly off for small frigates & light vessels that the communication may be kept up with diff^t parts of the Continent; the only two here are the *Ventura* & *Chiron* which to do their Commⁿ justice are constantly going backwards & forwards with the Convoys from hence to *Lyra* & *Myrina* under the Governor's orders -

The Ambassador only returned from Naples on the 10th inst^l. - I did not get much intelligence by her, but learned that the *Argentine* had left that place to join you by which vessel Captain Cotton

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had acquainted you with what was going on
there - The Merlin sailed for Constantinople
with convoy the 4th inst. having directions to bring back
the Trade from thence: By her I sent you
orders to the Comm^{rs} of the Spider & Renard

The June I thought proper to detain
till the return of the Ambuscade from
Draples in order to give the General
opportunity of sending down dispatches by
her, which he has been much longer
making up than I could possibly have an
idea of -

The Schooner & Eurydice have
been detached on a short cruise &
are just returned without meeting
any thing - The Lieut was also out
for a week to keep the Ship's Company
healthy - It is impossible to be long out of
sight of the port, as the General is always
wanting something, nor do we know
how soon the Expedition may move

The Children arrived yesterday the 15th
from Corfu; I sent her out again
directly for Gibraltar, but to look off
Carrthage -

At yet I have only been able to

line from Vessels at this place for transports
in addition to our own, & they can only act
as baggage vessels: but upon the whole, I
trust, we shall be able to make them
accommodate as many troops as will
be required—

To R^r Adm^e

fr Rich^d. Bickerton B^t

I have the honor
to be fr
your very obed^t ser.

R^r A

Lively. 31st Aug^r. 1805.

My dear fr
When the Juno arrived from Constantinople, I understood that the Spider Conway would not be ready to sail for a month. I was therefore in hopes that the Merlin would have been up time enough for a sufficient reinforcement to them, — As however from intelligence gained from the American B^t, I hardly think it would be right to dispatch a Conway to Gibraltar. I shall order the Jalouse to be stop'd for the present untill I see you —

I get on but slowly. Believe me my dear fr
your faithful servant

fr Alex^r. Ball B^t

R^r A. Tam —

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P.S. I did not hear till the day before yesterday,
of the American Bombs intelligence - Upon consideration
of the Wind E. to E.S.E. with the position of the
French Squadron off Majorca, I think they were
stealing over to the Basque & then meaning
to go out of the Med. - Sir Rich Bickerton
will hear of them by the June. G.D.

diag. 2nd Sept: 1805

Sir I have the honor to enclose
 for your information, a letter I have
 just rec^d from R^r. Adam^s Knight by the
 Termagant vessel, which I shall thank you to
 return when you have perused it -

I have the

honor to be the

from Ex. M. Obed. Ser.

T. Gen.
 Sir J. Craig K.B.

E. A.

Living: Katta. 19th Sept.

Sr I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Exc^t: letter of this date, and have in answer to inform you that I shall order the Captain of ~~Mt.~~ M^r. Japhose to proceed on the Public service Haglari, with

To the Officer, your Exc^t. proposes to send, which Ship
H. E. is ready to sail - I have the honor to be
Yrs. in J. Craig R.B. Sir Yr. Exc^t's Obedt. servant
J.A.

H. M. Lively Walter 25th Apr.
Bos.

Hi

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Excellency's letter of this date & beg to say that one of the brigs in the harbor, shall be dispatched to Venice, for the purpose of procuring money for the Garrison, & beg to know when the Order will be ready, that her Captain may have his orders for sailing.

I have the honor
 Genl. Sir J. Craig. K.B.
 L. L. L.

H. M. Lively Matter. 30th Septm
1865

Gr. m.

By some mistake the Coleworth Transport
has been taken from Captain Lamb's
Division of Transports; & as I have
always considered her as ~~being~~^{belonging to} the Ships
~~as~~ destined for Corfu: All my lists to
Commodore Greig will be erroneous unless
she goes: ~~which I shall still desire that she may do~~
~~unless you should have any particular wish to the~~
~~contrary -~~ ~~I am Sir, your obedient servant~~
~~If you are desirous of republishing with paper~~
~~I shall desire that she may still proceed~~
~~with them~~ — I have the honor to be
Dear Sir, Your most obed^t. Servant
G.H.

J.
A.E.

Genl. in J. Craig KB.
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I dispatch the *Argentine*
Brig, with this to you, and a letter
 for Genl. D. Humph, as you may
 possibly think it better to meet us at
 sea, without the necessity of our
 anchoring — I have given directions
 to the Officers of my Squadron, to
 keep our Transports collected to-
 gether, to prevent Confusion, while
 we sail together — I have the
 honor to be Sir /

Graham Hammond

Loacusa

My Lord,

W. H. L. M. M. M. 14th of Feb?
1806.

Captain Parker of the Melpomene having just in here for any dispatches that General Sir James Craig might have to send to your Lordship ~~and~~ to England gives me the opportunity of sending this; I have ordered the Melpomene at the particular & urgent request of the General to remain here until his dispatches are furnished - He is in momentary expectation of hearing from Naples, when the Melpomene will be sent off.

My last of the 19th of Jan^r by the Jalouse will have informed your Lordship that I was under weigh in Naples Bay with the Aurora, Ambuscade, and fleet of Transports containing ~~the Army~~ Genl. Sir J. Craig's Army, and that I had issued a rendezvous at his request for the Bay of Augusta - But on our entering the Taro on the 22^d of Jan^r Sir James thought proper to desire me to anchor the fleet here, which I did and we have remained here since without communication with the Army - It seems in the present state of things very uncertain whether the Army will or will not land here - but the General has requested me, he shall inform your Lordship

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of his proceedings & future intentions -

The Juno arrived here
with a Convoy from Malta on the
29th of Jan^r. I have ordered Captain
Richardson (by Capt^r: Jothsons
desire) to wait for the protection
of the Trade about to leave that place.

I have sent the Ambassade
to Palermo, at the James Craigs request
with Major Gen^l. Sir John Stuart
to wait on H. Sicilian Majesty
and I look for her ^{return} ~~back~~ every hour.

I enclose a Copy of my Log
since the 19th of Jan^r. Together with
the State & Condition of the Lively
Aurora

To The Right
Hon^{ble}. Lord Collingwood
V. Com^{dr}. of the Red
Horn^{et} in Chief.

I have the honor to be
Your Lordships Wth.
serv^t. L^{ty}.
Gth

Prig Insolent the M. Lively: Messina 16th Feb^y
1800.
a Duplicate by over land
Dispatch to Palermo.

(Private)

My dear Sir The Sulphorene has been
here some days waiting for the General's
dispatches, which I hope (now he has
got the permission to land & take
possession of the Citadel) will be completed
by tomorrow night, she will then be
dispatched to the Adriatic but as she will
pass by Palermo, I think it right she
should call for any thing then - I
therefore shall order Captain Parker to
do so, but in the mean time, I now
dispatch the Insolent Gun Brig with
this to you, to prepare Mr. Elliot &
yourself, & that the Sulphorene may
not be detained - The Insolent came
here the night before last with
the intelligence, I now enclose to
you & order to proceed with it
to the Comm^r in Chief - of course there
was no occasion for two vessels to
go - I have since had my doubts, whether
it might be proper for the Sulphorene
to go, as the French will of course
make use of these frigates & cruise
directly, & thought of sending the
Insolent, But upon turning the matter

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over - It strikes me as better that
both Vessels might call at Palermo
when you would be better able to
decide than me, which should go on -
- Some Cruisers, I conceive must
be sent into the Adriatic in
consequence, & as the Melpomene is
here, the question is whether she
should be sent away - Perhaps
Juno, & her might keep the Adriatic
in Order, as I fear we cannot trust
to the Russians - of Course your
Goodness will excuse my pointing out
this to my Senior off. I shall
send a Copy of this also by a Courier
the Gov. means to dispatch to
night, - The General is very
anxious indeed, his Dispatches
may not be detained at Palermo.

- He does not much like the
idea of the Insolent's going, but you
will see, which you think most
proper to go - If you decide on
Melpomene going down - I fancy they
would be glad of the Gun Brig's
return to Malta, particularly as
the Spider is condemned & paid off -

- If I possibly can I mean to ~~run~~
over to Malta for a day, or two.

myself
to get my people examined as the Commission
expirers on the 28th of this Month - Have
we any hopes of seeing you here, I wish
you would come? I suppose the General
will land the Troops to morrow - Ever my
Dear Capt. Sotheron - Yours very truly

Capt. Sotheron, Excellent -
Palermo

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Messina. 17th Feb. 1800.

My friend

I beg leave to send a letter
I received on the 14th by the Insolent
Gun Brig from Captain Schomberg
of His Maj. Ship Medras, containing
the observations of Lieut. Morris
Commanding the Insolent, when
that Vessel was off Venice, which
I now send by the ship from me;
- she will sail this evening
as Sir James Craig has at length
received a requisition from His
Sicilian Majesty to take possession
of Messina - I have directed
Captain Parker to call off
Palermo, for Mr Elliot, Captain
Sotheron's dispatches for you

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Lordship, & yesterday sent the Insolents
there, that they may be ready on
the Helponere's appearing off.

I am
Your Lordship's Most obed. Servant
Right Hon^{ble}.
Lord Coleridge -

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He N^o. 1. Lively. & after Bar

3 Jan^y. 1800

Sir

I beg leave to state to you
that for the last seven Months, I have
been considerably troubled with a Disease
of the Liver, and Rheumatism; in addition
to which my general Health has been so bad
that during the Months of August, Sept. &
October, I was totally confined to my Chamber
& have been since the month of August
strongly advised "to fly from it without loss of time"
"from a Climate peculiarly unfavorable to
"the Complaints" I labour under - In the
hopes of being released from having the
charge of the Transports containing the Army
under the Command of General Sir James
Craig, & then going to the Command in Chief according
to his Orders, & not being aware that on any

arrival here, it was your intention to take
 the *Swiftness* under your command, I deferred my
 application to the Command in Chief for a delay
 on my health, until the opportunity offered
 of my joining him, but as you have thought
 proper to stop me here, and I am without
 the least certainty of joining him, I have
 to request that you will direct the Surgeons
 of the Ship under your Orders, to do a
 Survey upon me, to know whether in
 their opinions, it is necessary for me to
 relinquish a Command, that in the present
 state of my health, I feel I cannot do
 justice to - I have the honor to be Sir
 Captain Atterton Your very humble Servant.
 Wm. S. Excellent G. D.

Wm. S. Excellent. at the Atterton

Sir - Coward Bay 7th May. 1800.

I request you will acquaint my
 Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty that during the
 greater part of the time that the *Swiftness*
 has been in the Mediterranean, my
 general health has been so bad, as to have
 confined me to my cabin, for a very considerable
 portion of it, & that I still remain so unwell
 from the effects of that Climate, that I am induced
 (at the representation of several Physicians) to beg
 their Lordships, will grant me leave of absence from
 my duty, that I may endeavour to recruit myself
 on shore before I again proceed on active Service.
 I have the honor to be Sir your most obed^t. Servant
 Wm. S. Excellent G. D.

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Sir

He M^r. Lively. at Plymouth
8th May. 1800.

I have received the enclosed letter
from Lieutenant W^m Peake of H^{is} M^t.
under my Comm^o. which I have to request
you will forward to the Lords Comm^{rs};
of the Admiralty, that their Lordships may
be pleased to order a Court martial
to be assembled to try Mr. Thom^s Scott
Boatswain of the Lively, for the offence
set forth in the said Lieut. Peake's

Letter I have the honor to be
Y^r most obed^t. Serv^t
W^m Young
Lieut. of the White Blue
Adm^t. of the White Blue
& Comm^o. in Chief of H^{is} M^t.s & Rep^{ts}.
at Plymouth

Copy of the letter enclosed in the above

Sir
He M^r. Lively at sea 22nd Apr^l. 1800
I beg to inform you, that during your
absence from the Ship yesterday evening:
Mr. Thomas Scott Boatsw.
of H^{is} M^t. under your Comm^o, was so very
drunk (a practice which he has been
I. often guilty of) that I was under the
necessity of confining him to his Cabin;
I have therefore to request you

will apply to the Lords Commis^{rs} of the Admir^{ty}
for a Court Martial to try him for the same
I have the honor to be

Tr

your obedient servant

(Signed) W. Peake. 1st Lieut^t

J.
Graham Hammond Esq^r.
Captain of H.M.S.
Lively.

Repts. Lively: Lawsons Bay
7th May, 1802

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I have to request you will acquaint
my Lord Commissioners of the Admir^{ty}
with the arrival here of H.M.S. under
my command, having on board H.E. General
Sir J. M. Craig K.B. & Suite, who I have
brought from Messina, but last from
Lord Collingwood's fleet off Cadiz, on
the 21st of last month -

Enclosed I beg leave to send a
Copy of my Orders from his Lordship
a Copy of my Log & the State & Con-
dition of the Ship -

I also send herewith
Despatches rec^d. from Lord Collingwood
for His Majesty's Ministers, & others from
His Excellency Sir Alex^r. Ball Bart
Calta - I have the honor to be

Tr
Your most obed^t. serv^t

G. J. H.

J. W. Young

G. Montague Esq^r

Adm^l of the ~~Admiralty~~ Blue

& Comm^r in Chief Plymouth -
at present -

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* Vide Foot of last Letter then in addition,

" You will perceive for

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Order issued.

By W. C. J. for the

You are hereby required and directed
to receive on board the Latona Transport, and
your command, the person named in the
margin, for a Passage to Malta, &
protect him during his continuance on board

Abraham
Hansfield }

To

Mr. William Smith
Master of the Latona Transport
(No. 83)

Dated at the H. S. Lively
at 27th June 1805.

W. C. J.

Orders issued.

1805.
2^d July -

Ordered Captains Corbett of the
Seahorse, and Surban of the
Ambuscade to put themselves under
my Comm^d -

At H^{rs}. Lively. after the 4th
July. 1805 -

It is my direction that you do not
on any account whatever suffer a boat to
be ~~landed~~ sent from the Transport under
your command while at sea; nor in
harbor after the Flag Blue pierced white
is shewn at the Fore Topmast H^{ts} of
the Lively, without my leave being first
obtained, as you will answer the contrary
at your peril -

Dated on board the Lively at
sea the 14th day of July 1805.

To
Mr. Willis

Commanding the Transport Ship

Valiant

Gth. Captain
having charge of a Convoy of
Transports on a particular service

By Gth. Esq^r. Captⁿ of H^{rs}.
Lively having charge of the

Whereas the greatest inconvenience to
H^{rs}. Service may arise from the Boats of the
Transports being hoisted out at sea, unless ^{upon} occasions
of real importance; as also when in harbor
after the signal has been made for all
boats to be hoisted in, and no further communica-
tion to be held with the Shore -

It is my directions that

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you give orders to the Masters of the
different Transports, under your charge,
on no account to permit a boat
to be sent from their respective Ships
under the above mentioned circumstances,
without my leave being first obtained, or
upon occasions of the utmost importance
to the King's Service -

To
Captain C. Watson
R.N.

Dated onboard the Lively
after the 5th July 1805.

Principal Agent of Transports
L. V. L.

G.H.

By G.H. Secy. V. R. R. &
Lieut. off. of the H. S. & V. S. S.

At the Ship Madras being ordered
to be fitted for sea with the utmost
possible dispatch - You are hereby
required and directed to send onboard
that Ship one Lieutenant, ^{Boatman} 2 -
Midshipmen, and Sixty Men to
assist in fitting her for the sea
accordingly -

Dated onb. H. S. S.
Lively in Valletta Harbour
the 29th July. 1805.

To
Capt. Corbet
R.N. Seahorn

G.H.

My. J. O'Hanlon Esq. &c.
Lieut. and Senior Officer of His
Majesty's Ships & Vessels at Malta

The Master Builder of His Majesty's
Yacht having represented to me that the Defects
of Her Majesty's Yacht can be so far made good as
to enable her to proceed to sea for a short distance
should the exigencies of the Service require it

You are therefore hereby
required & directed to use your utmost
endeavours in putting her in a complete
state so to do; and for which purpose I
have directed the Captain of the Schooner
to send an Officer & fifty men to assist you

Her Provisions you will keep
complete for one month, for a Thousand
men, in addition to her own complement

To
Lieut. W. Foster
Commanding Officer
of Her Majesty's Yacht

Given under my hand on
board Her Majesty's Ship
Vallette Harbour 19 July
1805

JEM

By Jth of HMS Swely
A Senior Officer at Malta

10
You are hereby required & directed to
proceed immediately with HMS Swely under your Command
as expeditiously as possible to Naples taking charge of
Gen^l Sir James Craig's dispatches for Mr Elliot &c.
which you will deliver as soon after your arrival as
you can calling in your ^{way} off Messina & delivering the
accompanying Order to the Captain of the Eurydice

As the Gen^l expects Lt Col^l Smith
will be waiting at Naples for a Passage to Malta
whose arrival here is of the utmost consequence, you
will receive him on board the Ambuscade, and as
soon as you have got such dispatches, as may be
put on board of you by Mr Elliot or Captⁿ Sotheron
of the Excellent. you will return here without a
moments loss of time

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Capt Durran

HMS Ambuscade

Given under my hand
21 July 1805

By Jth of HMS Swely
A Senior Officer at Malta

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You are hereby required & directed to receive
on board HMS Swely under your Command such
Officer as may be sent on a particular service
by Gen^l Sir James Craig K. B and proceed with him
as expeditiously as possible to Corfu, and as soon
as he shall have finished the service he is there sent
upon, you are to bring him back to this Place

Upon your return here you will
proceed in the execution of the Orders you have rec^d
from R^d Adm^l Sir R. Bickerton B^t

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To
Captain G. Knight
HMS Coast Chaceurs

Given &c
21 July 1805

By J. E. H. L. & L.
A Senior Officer at Malta

23
Jan. 1806
You are hereby required & directed to proceed with all possible expedition in HMShip under your command off Cadix to join the Squadron under Vice Adm^l Collingwood: In your way down you will make the Island of For^o and give the accompanying order to the Captain of the Thunder Bomb, who will proceed under your orders for the same purpose. calling also off ^{at} rendezvous for any letters to Vice Adm^l Sir Rich^d Bickerton may have to send to ^{the} Vice Adm^l Collingwood.

In the event of your not meeting with the Vice Adm^l Sir Rich^d Bickerton you are not to wait any time upon that rendezvous & you are to be cautious how you approach the place;

You will also take charge of Gen^l Sir Jas^t Craig's dispatches, which you will deliver at Gibraltar & to Vice Adm^l Collingwood, stating to him how extremely anxious the Gen^l is to have them forwarded as quick as possible to England - you will acquaint the Vice Adm^l that it being absolutely necessary that the Garrison at Malta should be furnished with money for the Expenses of the Army, I have been obliged to order the Jalouse to proceed to Venice for the purpose of procuring it. Having no other vessel to send on that service - directing her Captain when he returns from thence to proceed without a moment's loss of time off Cadix

To
Captain Hileyar

HMShip Niger

Given &c

21 July 1806

J. E. H.

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By J. E. H. & Co. & Co.
Senior Officer at Malta

You are hereby required & directed
to take under your command the Transport Ship
Coleworth, having stores on board for HMS Excellent
and proceed in the ship you command with her
to Naples

Having so done you are (unless
otherwise directed by Capt. Sotheron) to execute Vice
Adm^l Collingwoods & E. Adm^l Sir R. Bickertons orders
calling first at the Magdalen Islands for the
Rena Roubt whose Captain is directed to join
the Vice Adm^l.

To the Hon^{ble}

Thomas Bladen Copel

Given &c

21st July 1805

Captain of HMS Phaeb

By J. E. H. & Co. & Co.

Senior Officer at Malta

You are hereby required & directed to take
under your command such Trade as will be ready to
accompany you on the 24th Inst & bound to Venice and
Trieste & proceed with them thither with all possible
expedition. Having so done you are to return to this
place with any Vessels that may be ready to accompany
you -

(Major Gen^l Needles having represented
to me that the Garrison of this Place is much in want
of Money you are to take charge of such Bills as you
may receive from the Commissary General here which
you will deliver as directed at Venice, and bring back
the Money with you - You will also take charge of
the Generals dispatches, and forward them on your arrival
as directed ~

Having

Said - 28th July -

Having so done you will proceed with all
positive dispatch to join Vice-Adm^l Collingwood off Cadix calling
in way down off Lendeguous N^o 75 (approaching the Land
with Caution) for any communication that Vice-Adm^l Sir
Rich^d Bickerton may have to make to the Vice-Adm^l; but
you are not to wait upon that Lendeguous in the event
of not meeting the Rear-Admiral

To Chas^r Mearns Esq^r
Captain of HMS Looe
Jalouse

Given & 21st July 1805
JCH

By J. O'Hanlon Esq^r &c
and Senior Officer at Malaga

The Surgeon of HMS Looe The Malaga having
been found from the bad state of his health to be unfit
for present service, and incapacitated by Surgery on the 17th

You are hereby required & directed
to repair on board His Majesty's Ship Malaga and
act as Surgeon of her, until further Orders, for which
this shall be your Order

To
Mr Henry Donner
Assistant Surgeon of the
Naval Hospital at Malaga,
being appointed to act as
Surgeon of His Majesty's Ship
Malaga
until further Orders

Given & July 21st 1805
JCH

By John L. L. &

Whereas I have been informed by His Excellency
in Alex^d. Ball B^r. that there are some
Enemy's Privateers off Cape Papero, &
Syracuse, which greatly annoy the Trade
of His Majesty's Subjects between Malta
& the ~~Mediterranean~~ Sicily - You are

therefore hereby required, & directed
to proceed ⁱⁿ ~~im~~ with the ~~ships~~ ^{ships} under
your Comm^o and Cruise ^{for seven days} off the said
Cape, or where from any intelligence you
may receive, it may appear ^{more} likely
for you to fall in with the Enemy
- at the expiration of this time
you will return hither for further

Orders. - If any ^{favorable} opportunity should
offer during your Cruise you will put
into Syracuse, & purchase ^{at the lowest}
price possible ~~forty~~ ^{forty} Barrels of Tar
there being none in the Dock yard
~~here~~, which on your Arrival you

Ca. 25th 6th 18th

will deliver into the charge of the
Naval Officer —

Given under my hand
the 24th July 1805

To
Robt Corbet Esq: C^{pt}.
Capt. of H.M.S. Seahorse

Cutter & Schooners

Wrat. Day

Animals	Sailings.	Arrivals.	Sailings.
1 Venturon	1 Venturon	1 Lively — 17 th Feb	1 Ambuscade — 22 nd July
1 Hirondelette	1 Hirondelette	1 Ambuscade — 18 - 20	1 Childers — 22 nd -
26 th -	26 th -	1 Seahorse — 18 - 20	1 Orizer — 23 rd
1 Venturon	1 Venturon	1 Morlin —	1 Seahorse — 25 th
27 th -	27 th -	1 Russian 74 — 27 th	1 Phoebe — 25 th
1 Hirondelette	1 Hirondelette	1 Eurydice — 27 th	1 Jalouse — 28 th Nov
27 th -	27 th -	1 Juno — 28 th 10 th	1 Russian 74 — 30 th at night
1 Hirondelette		1 Seahorse — 3 rd Aug	1 Turkish frigate — 3 rd Aug
3 rd Aug.		1 Lively — 10 th Aug	1 Eurydice — 5 th
		1 Eurydice — 14 th 9 th	1 Childers — 15 th
		1 Childers — 15 th	1 Juno — 17 th
		1 Seahorse — 15 th	1 Eurydice — 18 th
		1 American B ^t — 24 th	1 Seahorse — 19 th
		1 Bittern — 23 rd	1 Ambuscade — 22 nd
		1 Lively — 27 th	1 Bittern — 26 th - AD
		1 Termagant — 3 rd	1 Lively — 27 th
		1 Spider — 4 th	1 Termagant — 5 th
		1 Renard — 4 th	

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By J. H. R. Esq. Secy. Genl.

Capt. Richardson of H.M.S. Juno having
represented to me by letter of this day's date,
that the necessaries for the crew of the sick &
Aunt Lumen, & Minnie's out. that Ship are
all expended, & that the time for which
they were to have depesed on the 10th June last,
& requesting me to order a supply of necessaries
for the Juno's Com^d of 215 Men for six
months - You are therefore kindly req^d &
directed to furnish the Surgeon of the Juno,
with the usual necessaries, to complement
her for four months.

Dated and thickly
affix in Vallette Harb:
29th July. 1805
J.H.R.

The Agent of Her Hospital
at Vallette in Malta

By G. H. Esq. Secy. Genl.

Whereas it will be necessary, in
addition to the Transports now lay in
this harbor, to take up several more
Vessels for that service -

You are therefore hereby req^d &
directed (upon requisition being made
to you by Capt. Lamb Resident Agent
of Transports) to survey such Vessels, as may

J.

Given under my hand
out? H. L. Living. N. H.
1st August, 1805 -

1^{er} August. 1805 -

[Signature]

By J. B. Jones - x x c

The Surgeon of the U.S. Schooner "Thetis" being
so ill at the Hospital as to be totally
unable to proceed to sea in the said Schooner,
whose sailing is delayed by on that acc^t.

You are therefore hereby required
and directed to ~~be at~~ ^{proceed} ~~you the~~ ^{upon} ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~office of~~
a Surgeon on board her, ^{until further orders} obeying all Instructions
you may receive from your Captain, or
any other your superior Officer for Her
Service. and for so doing doing this shall be
your order — Given under our hand

Given under my hand
L. L. in Valletta Harbor
Malta. 3^d August. 1805

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To Mr. William Neal

Surgeon's Mate of the U.S. Sea Horse
Lucy ~~reg~~. appointed to act as
Surgeon of the U.S. Ship Merwin
until further orders.

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15th Aug^r. Ordered Captⁿ Kempt in the H^{is} M^{aj}ty's
to proceed without a moments loss of time to
Gib^r for further orders and call in his way
of Carthagena

16th Enclosed a Copy of Russian Private Signals to Sir R. Bickerton

By Graham Hammond Esq^r
Captain of the H^{is} M^{aj}ty's Line
and Senior Off^r at Malta

Captain Smith of the United
States Brig Syren having represented
to me that she is in very great
distress for ~~the necessary~~ ^{a Boomer} Anchor
and Cable and that tho' he has endeavored
to procure them here, he has not
been able to succeed

You are therefore hereby
required, and directed to supply
~~the same~~ Captain Smith with an
Anchor & Cable of proper proportion
for the said Brig - and receive
either from him, or the American

proper / on the American Government
Consul & bills for the amount of
the same - taking also Capt. Smith's
receipt for the { Given under my hand
strucker & able: } out. M. M. Lively Mallin
the 3^d Sept^r 1805.

J. N. Taylor Esq^r
Naval Storekeeper
Malta

J. N.

Secret

By J. N. Esq. to L & C

General Sir James Craig K.B.
Having informed me that he is extremely
~~anxious~~ ^{anxious} of sending an Officer upon Public Service
to Cagliari, in the Island of Sardinia, ~~and~~
You are hereby required
& directed to proceed thither, without loss
of Time, ^{taking} with you such Officer as the General
shall think fit to send - and as I understand
from Sir James Craig, that it will be necessary
that the ^{said} Officer to remain ^{there} for four, or five
days to execute the service he is sent upon,
You will remain there, ~~for~~ ^{with the ship during} that time ~~residing~~
or longer, upon good reasons being given to
you by the said Officer for that purpose &
Having so done you will return hither with
all expedition -

J. Robt. Cosket Esq^r
Captain of the H.S.
Scutcheon

Given under my hand
out. M. M. Lively
Valletta the 20th Sept^r
1805. J. N.

By Gt. Capt. v. s. s.

Instead of proceeding to Messina,
 with Convoy, ^{at the S.C. of Linc.} you will take ^{such} ^{such}
 Vessels as are bound to the South Coast
 of that Island & see them across, bringing
 back such Vessels as are laying at
 Nazarelli, laden with Bullocks on
 acc^t. of Government —

Capt. Strachey
 He & Hoop Jalouse —

Dated onb: ^{at Malta} ^{the} 21. Sept.
 1805. Gt. Capt.

Returned Disabled
 2^d. Oct.

By Gt. Capt. v. s. s.

General Sir James Craig having acquainted
 me that the Commissary General is in
 great want of Money for the Payment of
 the Troops &c — and requesting that a Man
 of War might be sent to Venice to
 procure the Sum of £100.000 —

You are therefore hereby
 required, and directed, ~~to go~~ ^{to} receive
 such Bills, as the Commissary General
 may transmit ^{to you} & proceed, with them ~~without~~
~~expence~~ ^{at the S.C. of Linc.} ~~as possible~~ to Venice, and having
 procured the said Sum return with it
 hither as Expeditionally as possible

To
 Robt. Raynsford Esq:
 Capt. M. of H. M. S. S.
 Morgiana

Given under my hand
 onb. 21. Sept. 1805. Gt. Capt.

(By Melbourn)

By J. M. Esq. Captain of
the M. S. Senior Off. at
Melbourn -

Whereas I am about to proceed
to Malta, in His Maj. Ship under
my Comm. -

You are hereby required,
& directed to take charge of the fleet
of Transports now in this Harbor
containing the Army under the Comm.
of Genl. Sir James Craig & comply with
any of the requisitions the said General
may make of you until my return
which will not exceed many days -

Captain Denbar of H.
M. Ship Ambrosade will follow
any orders you may think proper to
give him for H. M. Service during
my absence -

Dated out. H. M.
Leuch Melbourn 18th
Febr. 1800.

J. M.

To The Honble.

Geo. Elliot
Capt. of the Aurora

By Jalouse -

My Lord.

At. M. S. Lively: 19th Jan. 1800.

Under weigh in Naples Bay

In consequence of His Excellency
Sir James Craig having determined to withdraw
the British Troops from Naples: - Capt. Sotheron of His Ex. Excellency on the 12th
Inst. gave me orders to take the Aurora
or Ambuscade with the Transports again
under my Comm^d, and consider myself
as having charge of the Naval Part of
the Expedition; directing me to embark
the Army at Castell a Mare according
to Sir James Craig's wishes, which was
not effected untill this day several
doubts having arose, as to the Expediency
of quitting this Country, even after part
of the Army was afloat. - We are now
about to under weigh, & the General has
desired me to issue a secret Rendezvous
for the Bay of Augusta in Sicily. further
than which he has not communicated
with me - I send this by the Jalouse
Brig ordered by Capt. Sotheron to join your
Lordship, and shall take care to
correspond with your Lordship by every
opportunity - Enclosed I have the honor
to transmit a Copy of my Last Orders, a
Monthly Statement of the Ships with
me, their State & Condition, and a Copy
of my Log from the date of Capt.

Tottenham's order - I have the honor to be
The Right Hon^{ble} your Lordship's Most obed^t St.
Lord Colliingwood
Yth.

~~By Melbourn~~
~~Private~~

Lively. Mepina 16th Feb^r
1805.
Not sent

~~My Lord~~
Sir James Craig has informed
me that, as it is ^{not} likely that the Army
will have to move for some days. & that
as it is possible they may land all together,
it is his intention during that time to
go on shore for the benefit of his health
which is now very bad - In consequence
of which I mean to proceed to Malta
(with his approbation) in order to have
my people examined in the Prize Cause
which I requested your Lt in a former
letter, was pending between Capt. Lawford
and myself - The Commission is now out
at Malta for the Examination of myself
& now, & it expires on the 28th of this
Month after which it is of no effect -
I therefore take this opportunity
to get this business over, which from this
day will not be likely to take me
from the country for more than a
Week, so that as the Service will

The Rt. Hon^{ble}
Lord Colliingwood -

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not be impeded by my going there & having
the General's permission, I trust I shall
stand excused by your Lordship for this
liberty, & as the having the examination
over, is of so much consequence to
the parties concerned —

I wish I could tell you that
that I was quite able to do my duty &c.
I could wish, but I have been
so pulled down by my late illness
& a constant complaint of the liver
that I feel I shall be obliged to get
out of a climate so prejudicial to
me — Sir James Craig has intimac-
-ted to me his intention of going to
England, as soon as matters are more
settled here, and that he has requested
your Lordship to allow of the Lord
taking him home — If this should
lay in your Lordship's power, it will be
conferring a real obligation on
your Lordship's &c. &c. for the first
humble servant

GSA.

By G.H. Esq. 15-8
Jr. Off. at Malta

You are hereby req^d and directed to
discharge from H.M. Service the Transports
taken up at this Port by my Order of
the 28th of July last, as soon as they obtain
Protegué, & have delivered the Gov^t. Stores

S.
Captain Lamb. R.N.
R. A. T. Malta

Given &c out H.M.
Lives at Malta 10th March
1806
G.H.

By &c —
You are hereby req^d & directed to
to appropriate two of the Transports
recently arrived from Cooper, as Castles for
the purpose of conveying the Spanish
Prisoners from hence to Barcelona, which
are to proceed under the Charge & direction
of Lt. McCulloch —

The Prisoners are to be
retained for five Weeks —

Given &c
10th March

To Capt. Lamb. R.N.
R. A. T. Malta

G.H.

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Sincerely, 3 April 1800

Sir

You are hereby requested to take charge of the Spanish Ship America, and make the best of your way to Malta, round Mauritius — You will take the utmost possible care that the Ship is not pillaged, or any of her crew ill treated.

As you will be obliged to keep all the Spaniards on board, you must be very vigilant to guard against their rising on you, and always be prepared for repelling any privateers you may meet with — Be cautious not to send too many men aloft at a time — If you meet with any of our Cruisers, you will request them to take any Prisoners from you, in case they are troublesome.

Do not put into any Port if you can possibly avoid it — On your arrival at Malta, acquaint Captain Schomberg ~~of your arrival~~, who I am sure will assist you as much as possible & be cautious, that the Ship is left in very safe hands before you leave her —

You will apply to Messrs. Lawson & Wilkin
to act as Agents for the Lively, & beg them to
present our Cause as soon as possible
in the Adm^t. Court —

When the Ship is delivered into the
charge of the Agents, you will apply to
the Senior Officer at Malta for a
passage by the very first opportunity, to
Gibraltar, & from thence to the fleet, or
to the fleet first if possible, bringing all
our men with you. When at the fleet
the Command in Chief will inform you
how to proceed to join us —

To
Mr. Nicholas Whyte
Master's Mate

At Sea Ship Lively.

I am Sir
Your most Obedt. Serv^t
GMA

